

SECTION III.TARANOPAYA,
OR
THE MEANS OF SALVATION.

ARJUNA said:

1. My heart is weighed down with the vice of faintness;
my mind is confused as to Dharma. I ask
Thee which may
be the better—that tell me conclusively. I am
Thy disciple,
•suppliant to Thee; teach me.—(ii. 7.)
2. For I see not that it would drive away this anguish that
withers up my senses, if I should attain
monarchy on earth
without a foe, or even the sovereignty of the
gods.—(ii. 8.),

SHRI BHAGAVAN said:

3. Whoso forsaketh all desires and goeth
onwards free
from yearnings, selfless and without egoism—
he goeth to
Peace.—(ii. 71.)
4. This is the Brahman state, O son of
Pritha. Having
attained thereto none is bewildered.
Who even at the
death-hour is established therein, he goeth to
the Nirvana
of Brahman.—(ii. 72.)
5. Taking as equal pleasure and pain, gain
and loss, vic-
tory and defeat, gird thee for battle; thus
thou shalt not
incur sin.— (ii. 73.)

ARJUNA said:

6. If it be thought by Thee that knowledge
is superior
to action, O Janardana, why dost Thou, O
Keshava ! enjoin
on me this terrible action?—(iii. 1.)
7. With these perplexing words Thou only
confusest my
understanding; therefore tell me with
certainty the one
{way} by which I may reach bliss.—(iii. 2.)

SHRI BHAGAVAN said:

8. In this world there is a twofold path, as I
before said,
O sinless one, that of Yoga by knowledge—of
Sankhyas,
and that of Yoga by action—of the Yogis.—(iii.
3.)